FATHER DARKLEAF

By The Editor

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Island is about two miles long, one mile wide; population 1,225. Neat, freshly painted homes on tiny lots Close together, wee yards. And the tolmstones are everywhere. There is a well-kept cemetery next to the church, but many homes have their dead buried in the tiny front yards. You enter the island's main street. It's about six feet wide, paved, and over half-a-mile long. No automobiles on the island, but lots of bicycles. Everyone speaks to you. Several small stores, a rest possible office, and a small movie house. The Coast Guard, which shows pictures once or twice a week. You stop in a store and get some soft drinks and a sandwich. The dialect takes you back to Cornwall. In 1685 John Crockett, his eight sons and their families settled here and one-third of the present population bears the name: Crockett. Other names are Parks, Wheatley, Spence, Lewis. You have walked to the end of the Island, so you start back. The big church is the Swain Memorial Methodist Church. Rev. Robert F. Bryant is pastor. A bronze tablet lists the names of 107 from Tangier who served in World War II. Twenty-six of them were named Crockett. Four Tangier boys gave their lives. The body of one has been returned. He is buried in the churchyard on a huge American flag waves from a tall metal pole beside his grave. The tall metal stone tells you that he was Pfc. George W. Crockett, killed in action August 12, 1945. Locusts will not forget. Behind the church are two frame school buildings. There is no jail, you don't see a cop. The people make their living from the water. Supplies and mail come by boat from Crisfield, Md. Isolation to be sure, but the people of Tangier seem happy and content. You are back now at the harbor. Small craft are stirring around and fisherman are idling about. Your skipper is waiting and you get on board for the two-hour ride back to Onancock. Tangier quickly fades away on the horizon,you pass Watts Island again, enter Onancock River, and tie up at the dock you left some six hours ago. You have seen something "different."

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Colored News

The Deacon's Popularity Contest sponsored by the Canaan Baptist Church under the direction of its pastor, Rev. C. A. Marshall, came to a successful close Sunday night with a special sermon by the Rev. R. Q. Lawing and special music by the Galilee and Promise Land Church Choirs. The following deacons of the Canaan Church took an active part: Deacon Thomas Kelso and Deacon John Scruggs who reported $75.00 and $64.35, respectively. The total amount raised during the evening was $161.. 35.

The following Appomattox students left last week for Virginia State College: Misses Jaquetta Patterson, Aurdoit Watkins and Howard Lewis and Hubert Watkins.

A large crowd attended the regular preaching services at the First Baptist Church last Sunday morning. The pastor preached a very helpful sermon. The pastor, Rev. Jordan will leave for his vacation during the month of October.

The public is invited to attend the regular preaching service at the Galilee Baptist Church Sunday morning.

A large crowd of young men attended the veterans class at the Carver High School last Tuesday evening, at the invitation of R. Q. Lawing, agriculture instructor. 16 young men answered the call. Over 30 young men in the county have been contacted and are ready to attend class as soon as all preliminaries are completed.

Rev. W. M. Brown, pastor of the Rivermount Baptist Church was the guest speaker at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church Sunday morning.

The annual revival is being conducted at Mount Obed Church.

'Valueless' Oil Property Vindicates Convicted Owner

LOS ANGELES. — "Worthless, eh?" said George Leingang in effect as he had his name cleared of a grand theft conviction.

Leingang, 53, of Bakersfield, Calif., was convicted in 1944 of grand theft after two men charged he had sold them valueless oil property in Cuyama valley.

Recently a riot strike was made there. Leingang said that he was now worth nearly a million dollars.

Furthermore, he said, he had paid the two men $8,500 in restitution. The court ordered the conviction wiped off the books.

Richwood

Richwood, Sept. 15.- Purvis Martin, of Lynchburg, who has been the leader in Wesley Chapel Church for the past ten years, is hopeful that the present discussions will lead to electrification and renovating of the Chapel. Several years ago the Chapel building was deeded to the community for use as a union church where all denominations could meet and worship as their exsistence dictated. Mr. Martin thinks that the time is at hand for an increase in attendance and for a rededication of the building to the purpose for which intended. Tentative plans are being drawn to hold special hymnal singing services at 3 P. M., Sept. 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilbun and children visited with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Howelton near Chase City last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Snow and children were visiting with friends in Roanoke Tuesday.

Mrs. Travis Wooldridge and daughter, Marvis called on Mrs. Bessie Lee Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Blackwell, Sr. were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fleshman Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Holmes and son, who have been temporarily occupying the house of J. C. Holland moved Wednesday afternoon to their farm in upper New York State.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh visited with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Blackwell last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hunter, Jr. and Mrs. A. B. Hunter, Sr. were shopping in Lynchburg Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Wooldridge and daughter, Marvis were guests of Miss Stella Wooldridge Saturday evening.

Carl Autrey, of Serverville,Tenn. is making his home temporarily with R. J. Moore.

Sharp Moore, who recently enlisted in the U.S. Navy, has finished his basic training and arrived home Sunday for a two-week leave of absence before being assigned to a ship.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Woodall, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Woodall and baby; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Davis, and children, all of Lynchburg, were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh.

Electric industry held to be near productive saturation point.

Tobacco demand strengthens in Old Belt.

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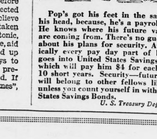

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Father Darkleaf's Column

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...makes a very feeble ...ing to teach a Sunday ... One member of the ... that we do a col... some of the notes in the ... Sunday. At the risk of ... the ladies of the class ... we will comply with ...

...ing in New York City on ... what would you do? We ... York on Sunday, July ... old ourselves, we went ... place. In the morning we ... famous Little Church ... Corner. Sunday night, ... something different, some... that was one of the highlights ...sion.

Want to come along? Let's go: ...

Here we're at a swanky hotel on ...ous Times Square, Broadway. ...ese bright lights out there on the ... Way on this square ...ne sat up $50,000 a day worth ...n electricity. Tens of thousands of ... on the sidewalks. A big ...vertising sign opposite our hotel ...shows a real waterfall on top of ... 10,000 gallons of ...minute pour over the sign. ...world of luxury, rich... ...walk up to 50th Street, ...block to the terminal ...ing buses. You see, ...we're going on is not one ...ge. We had already paid ...ests at the hotel, so we ...oved the sightseeing bus ...well, you shall see. . .

...t's town, down 7th Avenue ... 40th, through the great ...district, where 90% of Amer... coats are processed. And ...through the garment district, the ...florist district. At Broad... & Avenue and 23rd St., ...the odd-shaped Flatiron ...one of the early sky... the bus has a glass win... the top. Saves your neck. ...you're down in the older part ...here's the theatre district ...Jolson and Eddie Cantor bid for ...generation ago. And you ...into famed Greenwich ...19th St., west of 5th. Ave... Square, the fam... Delaney's steak house ... Street and Bleecker ...street names.

...and into the Bowery! The tough ...biggest city in the ...slums and bums! Drunks ...on the sidewalks. Cheap ...Twenty cents a night for ...and a strip of adhesive tape, ...on any valuables, the ...says. Maybe it's not really as ...looks, you feel tense and ...how it would feel to ...ave, broke and friendless! ...ere too is stopping, under ...and in a dark block. Get... ...to get out, the guide asks ...every close together and ...no attention to bums who ask ...out." (Business of Fath... and Mother Brightleaf ...hands again!) Gingerly we ...around a corner . . and into ...Mott Street, Pell Street ...Doyer Street! New York's ...was founded by Ah Ken ...1858. The corner of Pell and ...used to be known as "Bloody ...Corner" for its many murders and ...years ago "even the On Long and ...Tong. You're jittery, but it ...is exciting! Curio shops in a narrow, twisting oriental, out... curio shop. Well sir, you never ...many souvenirs you'd like ...was all for buying an odd ...back-scratcher, but Mother ...had her way and bought ...two pieces of china.

...out a few doors up, you ...were going to church ...it is: Tom N. Noonan's ...Mission; "a shanty on the ...forgotten men!" The tour ...guide turns you over to the mission ...dent, Rev. H. W. Kinsey. ...Down deep, shaky and smelly. Old, ...knows how old. And into ...cellar. You trust Rev. Kin... ...you'd beat it out of this ...the ground. "He has the ...winter on his head but the ...flowers of spring in his heart." And

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Home Agent's Schedule For Next Week

Home Demonstration Agent's schelule for week of September 27 through October 2:

Monday, Sept.27- The Clover Hill Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2:00 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Edna Covington.

Tuesday, Sept. 28.- The Trinity Home Demonstration Club will meet at 2 P.M., at the home of Mrs. Hazel Campbell.

Sept. 29 through Oct. 2, the agent will be working with 4-H Club projects at the Lynchburg Farm Show.

SOIL CONSERVATION PROGRAM GROWS IN U. S.

"Our national defenses against soil erosion and depletion become stronger each year," says R. B. Bridgeforth, chairman of the Virginia PMA committee, in commenting on a summary of accomplishments under the Agricultural Conservation Program. "In 1947 our volunteer conservation 'army' numbered over three million farmers organized into county units in all but 23 of the country's 3,071 counties."

In the United States this army of conservation-minded farmers rolled forward on all fronts and at the year's end were battling the forces of wind and water waste in over two-thirds of our croplands and half our open range and pasture land.

HIGH MARKET DANGER WARNING TO PROSPECTIVE FARM BUYERS

Going in debt to buy a farm today on the high-level market is one of the most serious mistakes anyone can make, believes Dr. Harry Love, head of the agricultural economics department at V. P. I.

The economist pointed out that farm land prices in Virginia now average about 125 per cent above their 1941 level. This means, he said, that a farm which sold for $10,000 in 1941 now would, on the average, sell for around $22,500.

Many people are buying farms in such a market and "consoling themselves with the thought that when farm land prices fall, other things will also," he said. These people overlook the tendency, proved in the past, for farm operating costs to remain high after prices for farm products drop, he said. In other words, decreases in operating costs lag behind decreases in produce prices, squeezing profits smaller and smaller.

When the prices of farm products and farm land start down, what will happen to the man who has paid, say, $22,500 for a farm under present conditions and has given a mortgage for half the price?

"He will have been liquidated long before prices return to even their 1941 level," Love says.

Love believes the young man anxious to get a start in farming would do well to look at present opportunities for hired hands. He said the wages of hired men are currently at an all-time high and "there has never been an equal opportunity in our history for a young man who has ability and wants to find a place for himself to do so on a good farm."

"A surprising number of farm operators are looking around for promising youngsters who are willing to buckle down to business and become part owners with them," he added.

The young man who does not have the cash to buy a farm outright will find either one of these opportunities superior to going in debt, Love believes.

Work is finished on 8 miles of Route 60.

Well worker killed by gas in Patrick County.

Goochland County forms club to back Horace Edwards for Governor.

Subscription rate: $1.50 a year.

487 Men Here Registered In Draft Period

A total of 487 men registered here during the National Selective Service Registration period, it was announced this week. The total was considerably below the more than 800 State Selective Service headquarters had estimated would register in Appomattox County.

Any who failed or neglected to register are urged to contact the county draft board at once.

The board has the following office hours: 1 to 5 P. M., Monday through Friday. Present offices are in the National Photo Service building on Church Street. A change in the address of the board will be announced shortly, it was stated.

Engineer Talks To Garden Club

The Appomattox Garden Club will have its regular meeting Monday evening, September 27, at 8:00 o'clock, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allan O'Brien. The hostesses will be Mrs. Mildred Alvis, Mrs. H. A. Gurney and Mrs. DeWitt Evans.

W. C. Poston, District Highway Engineer, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be Roadside Beautification and Zoning.

The exhibits for the evening will be chrysanthemums, marigolds and asters. All club members are urged to be present. Plans will be made at this time for attendance at the fall meeting of the Piedmont District, which will be held in Richmond October 29.

CORN STARVATION IS BLAMED FOR LOSSES IN VIRGINIA

Old Dominion farmers lost from $3,500,000 to $5,000,000 per year because of starvation of corn crops, according to F. H. DeHart, agronomist for the Agricultural Extension Service.

Application of adequate plant food in the form of manure, legumes, and commercial fertilizers, DeHart said, would correct this condition and increase the average corn yields in Virginia by at least 20 bushels per acre over the present 38 to 40 bushel average.

A drought that cut yields by 10 bushels per acre would be extremely serious, he said; yet starvation during the corn crop causes far more damage every year.

Lack of nitrogen probably causes more premature firing than any other factor, but adequate lime, phosphoric acid and potash must be available as well to eliminate the starvation symptom, he said.

DeHart said a good growth of crimson clover, vetch or red clover turned under before planting corn will supply from half to two-thirds of the nitrogen needs for 80 to 90-bushel crops.

Because of the shortage of nitrogen fertilizers, he continued, farmers should plan to grow some of this plant nitrogen with legumes for their 1949 corn crops.

If fertility is low, 400 to 500 pounds of 0-14-7 fertilizer at the time of seeding will help legumes reduce the amount of fertlizer needed for the corn crop, he added.

He pointed out that vetch is objectionable on farms where small grains are grown.

Stonewall SCA

The Student Cooperative Association of Stonewall School had its first meeting of the 1948-49 session September 15. New officers were elected and assumed their duties at this meeting. They are:

President, Thomas Weakley

Vice president, Richard Bondurant

Secretary and treasurer, Marie Rouston

Reporter, Barbara Herndon

Sponsor, Miss Faye Weakley.

CURRENT TO BE OFF

The Virginia Electric and Power Company announced today that in order to make repairs on the Appomattox feeder line, it will be necessary to interrupt the electric service in this area on Sunday, Sept. 26, from 1:30 P. M. to 4:30 P. M., weather permitting. Areas to be affected: town of Appomattox, town of Pamplin, Evergreen, Spout Spring and Concord Depot.

Enrollment At A. H. S.

Phincipal John Peters stated today that total enrollment at the Appomattox High School would probably exceed that of last year. The latest available figures show 310 in the high school department and 508 in the elementary department. The above total is down slightly for the high school, but shows an increase for the grades. Mr. Peters stated that the school was off to a good start and that he expected a successful session.

Funeral Held Sunday For Ryland Mann

A large gathering of friends attended funeral services here last Sunday at four o'clock for Ryland M. Mann. Mr. Mann, 42, local businessman, died in a Lynchburg hospital following a month's illness.

Born March 14, 1906, in Appomattox County, Mr. Mann was the son of the late Richard Clifton and Mattie Simms Mann.He was a member of Memorial Methodist Church, the Appomattox Lions Club, and was interested in a number of local business enterprises.

Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Hazel Reynolds Mann; three aunts, Mrs. T. W. Moses, Mrs. S. L. Ferguson, of Appomattox; and Mrs. Jennings Ferguson, of Evergreen; and an uncle, Chapman Simms, of Lynchburg.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Floyd M. Lucas, assisted by the Rev. J. Marshall Walker. Interment was in the Liberty Baptist Cemetery. Active pallbearers were: Dr. H. Y. Spenser, Dr. C. H. Swing, Dr. C. F. James, W. M. Abbitt, Grover Smith, Chas. Moses, Jr., Chas. T. Moses, Sr., J. D. Ferguson.

WMU Program At Liberty

The W. M. U. of Liberty Baptist Church will have a combined Mission Study Class and a State Mission Week Program at the church on Thursday, September 30. There will be a covered dish supper in the basement of the church at 6:30, followed by the program and class. The program will be presented by Mrs. J. Marshall Walker, and Mrs. A. R. Harwood, Jr. will teach the class. All members of the W. M. U. and the auxiliaries are invited.

PREDICTS DEWEY IN VA.

A prominent Democratic leader in Virginia, who asked to remain unnamed, predicted this week that the electoral vote of Virginia in the November presidential election will go to the Republican nominee, Gov. Thomas E. Dewey. He gave a likely three-way split of the normal Democratic vote, as the reason.

BEAR CATS LAST GAME

The Appomattox Bear Cats will play their final ball game of the season here Sunday at 2 P. M. The opponent will be an all-star team from four counties.

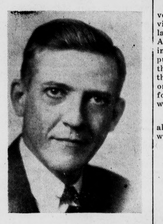
American soldier is killed by a blast in Austria.

Dutch pledge support to government in Indonesia.

Britain cabinet is called in emergency session.

Virginia factory payrolls showed increase last month.

Presbyterians Install New Pastor Sunday



DR. W. TWYMAN WILLIAMS

A committee appointed by West Hanover Presbytery to install Dr. W. Twyman Williams as pastor of the Appomattox group of Presbyterian Churches will meet at Appomattox Court House Church Sunday, September 26th, at 11 A. M. Rev. H. W. Shannon will preach the sermon and moderate the meeting. Dr. Massie, of Hampden-Sydney will deliver the charge to the pastor. Elder R. B. Crawford, of Farmville will deliver the charge to the people.

This group of churches has been without a regular pastor for two years, and is very fortunate in securing the services of Dr. Williams, one of the ablest ministers in the Presbytery. Dr. Williams was raised in the lower end of the Shenandoah Valley, at Woodstock, a beautiful community, surrounded by fertile farms, overlooked by the Alleghany, Massanutten and Blue Ridge mountains, where the waters of the Shenandoah River gently wind their way.

Dr. Williams received his B. A. and M. A. from Hampden-Sydney College; D. D. from Washington and Lee University. His pastorates: Falling Spring and Glasgow; Floyd Street in Lynchburg; and for the past twenty-four years at College Church, Hampden-Sydney. When Dr. Williams resigned in July, the College Church had 403 members, resident and non-resident, compared with 155 in 1924, only 86 of whom are now on the rolls. Thus, 317 of the present membership have been received into the church by Dr. Williams and 209 of those by profession of faith. In all, during his pastorate, 255 were received by profession of faith and 205 by letter from other churches, a total of 460.

FARM ACREAGE REPORT

About October first, one farmer out of fifteen in Appomattox County will receive a card from his rural mail carrier on which he is requested to report the acreage of the various crops to be harvested on his farm this season. This information will be used by the Department of Agriculture to estimate the total acreage harvested in the state.

This is not a new report, because many of the farmers have been filling out the cards during the past 25 years. There never was a time, however, when interest in the crop reports was greater than at present. The trend shown in acreage of various crop in different parts of the country is of great interest to farmers, to agricultural workers and to officials of the Federal and State Governments.

County Agent R. B. Hudgins requests that every farmer who receives one of these cards, will take a few minutes to fill it out and then promptly return it to the carrier.

LYNCHBURG FARM SHOW

The catalogues for the Lynchburg Farm Show to be held Sept. 30 and October 1, are just off the press. Copies may be obtained from the office of R. B. Hudgins, County Agent.

"Red Dean" accepts invitation to visit United States.

School Football Team To Play Night Games

Appomattox High School lost a very close football game to Farmville High School by a 6 to 0 score last Friday night in Farmville. The A. H. S. team gave up a touchdown in the last minute of play, after putting up a stubborn scrap over the rest of the game. Earlier in the game, Farmville had first down on Appomattox's 3 yard line, but four plays later A. H. S. took over with the ball on the 12.

The team has been hard at work all this week in preparation for this week's game at Altavista.

The complete schedule:

Sept. 24, at Altavista

Oct. 1, Kenbridge, here, night

Oct. 8, at South Hill

Oct. 15, at Brookville

Oct. 22, Natural Bridge, night here

Oct. 29, Amherst, night, here

Nov. 5, Charlotte Court House, night, here

Nov. 12, Clarksville, night, here

Nov. 19, at South Boston.

All home games will be played at night, at the Lee Theatre park.

Check Weight Of Trucks

Richmond, Sept. 22.- State Police Sergeant L. L. Stanley, armed with a pair of portable scales, is carrying the State's cam paign against overloaded motor vehicles directly to the roads of Appomattox County.

He is one of 30 State troopers recently equipped with portable scales as part of the State Highway Department's campaign to crack down on violators of highway load limits.

The area covered by Sergeant Stanley will include Appomattox, Cumberland, Buckingham, and Prince Edward Counties.

As part of his regular duties he will range both the main highways and the lightly - traveled routes where previously it was difficult to check on the way haulers were observing the load limits.

Each portable unit has two load-o-meters capable of registering up to 20 tons apiece. The scales are placed under the wheels to obtain the axle load and the gross weight. If the legal limit is exceeded the violator will be summoned to court.

Plan Contest To Select A Beauty Queen

Under a plan worked out jointly by committees from the Appomattox Lions Club and Garden Club, a contest will be conducted to select a "Miss Appomattox" to participate in a civic day and 150th anniversary celebration to be held in Farmville October 21st. Business places in this county are being requested to nominate local and county girls to enter the contest. A county elimination contest will be held at the Appomattox school auditorium on October 14th. Admission tickets entitle the holder to vote on the selection. Entrants must be a resident of the county, fourteen years old or over, wear evening dress for the contest. Out-of-town judges will select three from among the contestants, and ticket holders will vote for their choice of one of the three. The one chosen will ride on a decorated float in the Farmville celebration.

LIONS CLUB

The Appomattox Lions Club will meet tonight, Thursday, at 6:45, at Appomattox Restaurant.

German tariff pact is signed by 12 nations.